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IN THE MATTER OF THE GENERIC PROCEEDINGS CONCERNING ELECTRIC RESTRUCTURING ISSUES.

IN THE MATTER OF ARIZONA PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY'S REQUEST FOR A VARIANCE OF CERTAIN REQUIRMENTS OF

A.A.C. R14-2-1606. 10

> IN THE MATTER OF THE GENERIC PROCEEDING CONCERNING THE AIROZNA INDEPENDENT SCHEDULING ADMINISTRATOR.

IN THE MATTER OF TUCSON ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY'S APPLICATION FOR A VARIANCE OF CERTAIN ELECTRIC COMPETITION RULES COMPLAINCE DATES. DOCKET NO. E-00000A-02-0051

DOCKET NO. E-01345A-01-0822

DOCKET NO. E-00000A-01-0630

DOCKET NO. E-01933A-02-0069

## PROCEDURAL ORDER

## BY THE COMMISSION:

On May 4, 2005, Tucson Electric Power Company ("TEP" or "Company") filed a Motion for a Declaratory Order and Request for Procedural Conference in the above-captioned matters. <sup>1</sup> TEP is seeking a declaratory order stating the methodology that the Arizona Corporation Commission ("Commission") will apply to determine TEP's rates for generation service after the current Competition Transition Charge ("CTC") terminates in 2008. In its pleading, TEP claims that if the Commission intends to "rescind TEP's authorization to charge market-based rates for generation service" such change will have immediate consequences for the 1999 Settlement Agreement, the 2004 Rate Review and future TEP rate cases.

On May 17, 2005, the Residential Utility Consumer Office ("RUCO") filed a Response to TEP's Motion, and takes issue with the "foundational premise" of TEP's Motion that after December 31, 2008, TEP's generation service rates will be based on the Market Generation Credit ("MGC").

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> TEP filed the same request in Docket No. E-01933A-04-0408, TEP's Rate Review.

RUCO believes that the Commission has not committed to market-based rates after 2008, nor does RUCO believe the Commission needs to decide that exact treatment that will be afforded TEP's generation assets after December 31, 2008.

On May 20, 2005, Commission Staff filed a Response, arguing that the Commission should deny TEP's Motion. In the alternative, Staff requests that the Commission order TEP to file pre-filed testimony in support of its Motion. Staff requests that the Commission modify the Procedural Order in the Rate Review proceeding to allow an indefinite continuance to allow Staff and other parties to avoid preparing and filing testimony that may be mooted by TEP's supplemental filings.<sup>2</sup>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that a **Procedural Conference** for the purpose of discussing TEP's Motion for Declaratory Order and Staff's request for stay of the procedural schedule in the Rate Review proceeding shall commence on **June 7**, 2005, at 1:30 p.m., at the Commission's offices, 1200 West Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007. The telephone number for parties wishing to participate telephonically is (602) 542-9004.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Ex Parte Rule (A.A.C. R14-3-113-Unauthorized Communications) continues to apply to this proceeding as it has been set for hearing.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Presiding Officer may rescind, alter, amend, or waive any portion of this Procedural Order either by subsequent Procedural Order or by ruling at hearing.

DATED this 3151 day of May, 2005.

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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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